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TAGS: OVIP (MANSFIELD, MICHAEL J.), TW

SUBJ: CODEL MANSFIELD

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1. NORVILL JONES, STAFF MEMBER OF SENATE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS, ARRIVED TAIPEI EVENING JULY 16. WILL DEPART AFTERNOON MONDAY, JULY 19. ACCORDING TO JONES, HE HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED BY SENATOR MANSFIELD TO DISCUSS WITH EMBASSY AND OTHER APPROPRIATE MISSION ELEMENTS VARIOUS PRACTICAL PROBLEMS THAT WOULD ARISE IN CONNECTION WITH NORMALIZATION AND U.S. RECOGNITION OF PRC AND SEVERANCE OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ROC.

2. JONES HAS SUBMITTED TO EMBASSY LONG LIST OF INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS (SEE SEPTEL). SOME OF THEM WE ARE ALREADY ANSWERING FROM DATA READILY AVAILABLE, E.G., US-ROC TRADE, OPIC GUARANTEES, EXIM LOANS, ROC FOREIGN RELATIONS, DISPUTED OFFSHORE AREAS, ETC. OTHER WILL NECESSITATE RESEARCH WHICH CANNOT BE ACCOMPLISHED PRIOR TO JONES' DEPARTURE, E.G., CRDITS OWED BY ROC TO US PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS. STILL OTHERS CANNOT BE ANSWERED LOCALLY, E.G., INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF WHICH ROC AND PRC ARE BOTH MEMBERS, NUMBER OF ROC DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL ACCREDITED TO US, WITHOUT GOING TO ROC. SUCH INFORMATION SHOULD ALSO BE AVAILABLE IN WASHINGTON.

3. IF DATA IS AVAILABLE EMBASSY PROPOSES TO GIVE IT TO JONES PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE OR SUBSEQUENTLY FORWARD IT TO DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSMISSION TO SCFR. HE DOES NOT WISH TO CARRY

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CLASSIFIED MATERIALS WITH HIM AND THEREFORE HE WILL BE

LOOKING FOR SUCH MATERIAL IN DEPT ON HIS RETURN; WE WILL
ALERT DEPT AS TO WHAT HE MAY BE REQUESTING.

4. JONES IS ALSO INTERESTED IN OBTAINING INFORMATION ON A
WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES WHICH THE EMBASSY EITHER IS RELUCTANT
TO DISCUSS OR IS NOT QUALIFIED TO DISCUSS EXCEPT IN VERY
GENERAL TERMS. FOR EXAMPLE, HE HAS REQUESTED ANY EMBASSY
ANALYSES OF POSSIBLE REPERCUSSIONS IF TAIWAN WERE TO DECLARE
ITS INDEPENDENCE, OF SUCCESS OR FAILURE OF THE JAPANESE
FORMULA, OF STATUS OF BILATERAL AGREEMENTS IN THE ABSENCE OF
DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS, PRC STATEMENTS CONCERNING ITS INTENTIONS
RELATIVE TO TAIWAN, PRESENCE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. HE ALSO
HAS REQUESTED INTER ALIA DETAILED INFORMATION ON U.S.
MILITARY PRESENCE IN TAIWAN, PLANS FOR FURTHER DRAWDOWN,
STATUS OF CO-PRODUCTION PROGRAMS.

5. AMBASSADOR HAS ALREADY PROVIDED LENGTHY ORAL RESPONSE TO
QUESTION #1 (PRACTICAL PROBLEMS RAISED BY RECOGNITION OF PRC)
AND WE HAVE NOT DISCUSSED PROVIDING ANY WRITTEN MATERIALS ON
THIS POINT.

JONES MAY ASK FOR SUCH IN WASHINGTON, HOWEVER.

6. ON MONDAY JONES WILL MEET IN TURN WITH TDC, POL, ATC AND
LUNCH WITH AMBASSADOR, CHIEN FU (VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN
AFFAIRS, AND Y.S. SUN (MINISTER OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS). JONES
IS HAVING LUNCHEON DISCUSSION TODAY WITH ADCM KYLE.
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